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In re Patent Application of:

STENTIFORD

Serial No. 09/977,263

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: VISUAL ATTENTION SYSTEM



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 Signed Declaration plus attached copy of originally filed specification/drawings.  
 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED form.  
 Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.  
 Attached is a Power of Attorney.  
 Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
00301262.2	EP	17 February 2000
00307771.6	EP	8 September 2000
PCT/GB01/00504		8 February 2001
PCT/GB01/03802		22 August 2001

respectively.

Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.  
 Certified copy(ies) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Applicant claims "small entity" status.  "Small entity" statement attached.  
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Basic filing fee	\$	740.00
Total Effective claims 24 - 20 = 4 x \$ 18.00	\$	72.00
Independent claims 7 - 3 = 4 x \$ 84.00	\$	336.00
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<b>FILING FEE</b>	\$	1,148.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months; \$1440.00/4 months)	\$	0.00
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English translation of specification and claims (\$130.00)	\$	0.00
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<b>SECOND SUBTOTAL</b>	\$	1,278.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)	\$	40.00
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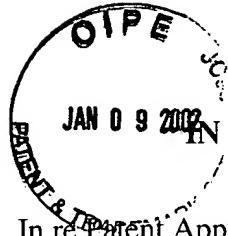
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Enclosed is a copy of the Filing Receipt for the above-identified application which incorrectly states the first EP number as "00301262.1". It should read --00301262.2--. The correction is shown in red on the attached copy of the filing receipt. Please note your records accordingly. Correction of same is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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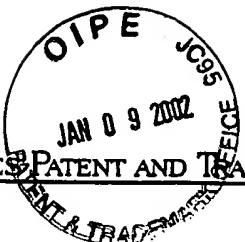
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## Applicant(s)

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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

THIS APPLICATION IS A CIP OF PCT/GB01/00504 02/08/2001  
AND A CIP OF PCT/GB01/03802 08/22/2001

## Foreign Applications

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EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE (EPO) 00301262, 02/17/2000  
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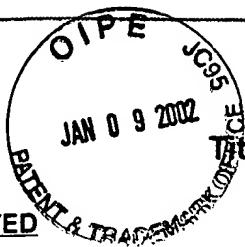
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## Title

Visual attention system

## Preliminary Class



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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$408.

- \$72 for 4 total claims over 20.
- \$336 for 4 independent claims over 3 .

- The oath or declaration is missing.

*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1278.**

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